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Appl. No. 10/666,579  
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Reply to Office action of November 10, 2005

**ELECTION/REMARKS**

In the Action, restriction has been required between the following inventions as provided in two groups of claims.

- I. Claims 1-16, 25-35, drawn to a surgical access device, classified in class 606, subclass 108.
- II. Claims 17-24, drawn to valve structure for a surgical access device, classified in class 604, subclass 167.03.

In response to the election/restriction requirement, Applicant provisionally elects Group I namely Claims 1-16 and 25-35.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney might expedite prosecution of the application, the Examiner is invited to call at the telephone number indicated below

Sincerely,

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